



August 28, 2003

MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Re:

Application of Yoshio OSADA

CUTTING MECHANISM FOR A SABER SAW

Assignee: HITACHI KOKI CO., LTD.

Our Ref: Q76843



This is a request for a Continuation Application of pending prior Application No. 09/817,189 filed March 27, 2001 of Yoshio OSADA entitled CUTTING MECHANISM FOR A SABER SAW.

This application is being filed under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b). Enclosed is a specification, including the claims and abstract, eight (8) sheets (Figures 1-18) of drawings, executed Assignment and PTO 1595 form, and executed Declaration and Power of Attorney. Also enclosed is an Information Disclosure Statement, and a PTO/SB/08 A & B (modified) listing references cited by applicant and/or the examiner during prosecution of the prior application.

The prior application is assigned to Group Art Unit 3724.

This is a continuation of Application No. 09/817,189 filed March 27, 2001; the disclosure of which is incorporated herein by reference.

Priority is claimed from:

<u>Country</u>	Application No	Filing Date					
Japan	HEI 11-67109	March 12, 1999					
Japan	2000-272388	September 8, 2000					
The priority documents were filed in parent Application No. 09/817,189.							
The Government filing fee is calculated as follows:							

Total claims	15 - 20	=	х	\$18.00	=	\$.00
Independent claims	4 - 3	=	1 x	\$84.00	=	\$84.00
Base Fee						\$750.00
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A check for the statutory fee of \$834.00 is attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

The application is timely filed.

Respectfully submitted,

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